Setting up of Additional Heavy Water Plants

*114. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up additional heavy water plants in the country for the proposed generation of 10,000 M.W. nuclear power; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to locate one of the additional heavy water plants in Tamil Nadu?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No decision has yet been taken regarding location for the additional Heavy Water Plant in the State of Tamil Nadu.

Inclusion of more Elective Subjects for Students of KVS at Plus Two Stage

*115. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:
SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1785 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether a Committee was set-up under the Chairmanship of Shri Bhujang Rao to consider and report on the suggestion by All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association for inclusion of more elective subjects in KVS;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what are the details of levels at which the suggestions of AIKVTA was discussed and decided upon;

(d) whether AIKVTA was invited to elaborate their demand;

(e) what are the detais of constraints of resources in introducing new and more subjects at plus two stage in Kendriya Vidyalayas; and

(f) what financial constraints are there in introducing Drawing, Physical Education, Music, when teachers of these subjects are already there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMAN BHAI MEHTA): (a) to (f) The All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association (AIKVTA), in its meeting with the Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, in November 1989 requested for introduction of new elective subjects such as Physical Education, Music, Drawing and Civics at plus 2 stage. After discussions it was decided by the Chairman of the Sangathan that the issue might be examined further. Following up on this, Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan former a Committee of five numbers under the Chairmanship of Shri T. S. Bhujanga Rao, Deputy Commissioner (Academic), Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan in February, 1989. The Committee has submitted its report in February, 1990.

Every demand is not invariably discussed with the concerned Association. in this case, no discussion was arranged with the AIKVTA by the Committee.

Kendriya Vidyalayas cater to the educational needs of the children of transferable Central Government Employees including Defence Personnel. Hence, it is necessary to have uniformity in the courses throughout the country. Offering more elective subjects at plus 2 level uniformally in all Kendriya Vidyalayas would substantially increase the requirement of funds *inter alia*, for additional teachers and class rooms. Keeping in view the resources contraints, the number of new elective subjects has had to be kept restricted. However, the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan will examine the matter further with reference to the report of the above Committee.